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MEMORANDUM FOR

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SUBJECT : Comments on Summer Intern Program

1. Overall, I was well satisfied with my summer with the Agency. The pay was quite adequate, and in my own case, I received a project the work on which I feel was constructive to both myself and the Agency. As put by my administrative office, I was not assigned to 'counting trucks'. While my decisions concerning a career are still a few years off, this summer has certainly placed a possible career with the Agency very much in consideration.

2. As I assume that you desire suggestions concerning possible improvement of the program, I will mention two points which I feel would help the program.

- a) Since finding housing for the summer months is difficult, especially for those interns who are married, it would be helpful to the incoming interns if they could receive a list of apartments which offer three month leases before they come to Washington. (The Apartment Guide is not adequate as its coverage of those apartments offering short-term leases is inferior.) I would suggest that the Agency compile a list of, say 15 to 20, apartment complexes which offer three month leases. This list, which would contain pertinent information - rates, location, etc. - on each apartment, would be sent to the incoming interns. A good street map might also be included to aid in establishing locations relative to the Agency. The above steps do not seem overly costly, and would certainly ease the difficulty of finding housing. I feel this is especially needed.
- b) As some of the interns are married, and making friends and staying 'un-bored', are often problems for wives in a large city, some way in which the wives could meet some of her husbands co-workers might be in order. For instance, part of my branch went out to lunch and suggested that my wife come also. While realizing that an Agency career is not socially oriented, it seems that steps such as the above, or perhaps a Saturday get-together of the interns and their wives - if applicable - might be desirable.

3. Again, I feel that the Summer Intern Program does a good job of carrying out its objectives, and I hope that the above comments can prove helpful in the future operation of the program.

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